

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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For: SUPPORT STRUCTURE AND GEAR
MECHANISM HAVING THE SUPPORT
STRUCTURE (as Amended)

Examiner: Doron D. Fields

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2008, for which a response was due on May 12, 2008, and for which a three-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from May 12, 2008 to August 12, 2008, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15.